

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTIES OF ARANSAS §
SAN PATRICIO AND NUECES §
CITY OF ARANSAS PASS §

On this the 20th day of February, 2012 the City Council of the City of Aransas Pass convened in a Regular Meeting being open to the Public at the regular meeting place thereof in the City Hall and notice of said meeting giving the time, place, date and subject hereof having been posted and prescribed by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code with the following attendance to wit constituting a quorum.

PRESENT: Tommy Knight Mayor
Phillip Hyatt Mayor Pro Tempore
James A. Mills Council Member
Ross McElwee Council Member
Vickie Abrego Council Member

ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATIVE
PERSONNEL PRESENT: Allen Lawrence City Attorney
Reggie Winters City Manager
Yvonne Stonebraker City Secretary

ADMINISTRATIVE
PERSONNEL ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Earl Buckmaster Harbor Master

OTHERS PRESENT: Justin Chandler, E.A. Chandler, Yeanne Vaillette, Michael Vaillette, Carol Salinas, Ernie & Olivia Torres, Donald & Jeanie Brummett, Mike & Jan Moore, Capt. T. Doran, Kenny Thompson, David Nelson, Dan Nelson, Jeanne Hunter, Jennifer Thomas, Dawn Brewster, Barbara Oxford, Mathew Zuniga, Virginia Zuniga, Randall Bauer, Mike & Jan Moore.

There may have been others present who did not sign in.

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER.**

Mayor Knight called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. on February 20, 2012.

2. **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES FLAG.**

Council member Abrego gave the invocation. Mayor Knight led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

3. **CONSIDER AND ACT ON MINUTES OF JANUARY 16, 2012.**

Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt made a motion to approve the minutes of January 20, 2012 with corrections. Council Member Abrego seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

4. **CONSIDER AND ACT ON CONN BROWN HARBOR LEASE PROPOSAL BY MR. JUSTIN CHANDLER. (THE FUZZY TACO)**

Mr. Justin Chandler stated he started out with Sonic Drive-Ins and has been in the restaurant business 22 years. He stated 2 years ago he opened his first Fuzzy's Taco restaurant in Forth Worth Texas. He stated he would like to open a multi use facility on Conn Brown Harbor which would consist of a Fuzzy's Taco, hotel, boat slips and music amphitheater. Mr. Chandler stated he would need 1000 to 1200 feet of water front property to complete his project. He stated the multi use facility would be built in stages starting with either the Fuzzy's Taco restaurant or the hotel. He stated Fuzzy's Taco would be completed first because he would like to build a 50 unit hotel.

Council Member Mills made a motion authorizing City Manager Winters to work out a harbor lease proposal with more in-depth plans with Mr. Justin Chandler. Council Member Abrego seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

5. **CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVING BARGE MOORING FEES AND INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS IN CONN BROWN HARBOR.**

Council Member McElwee stated there was a lot of barge traffic mooring up at the south end of the peninsula on Conn Brown Harbor with a current mooring fee of \$30.00 a day. He stated those barges carry 30,000 barrels of highly toxic, flammable materials. He stated the City should charge \$300.00 per day per barge and require companies to carry a sufficient amount of insurance that would cover any type of catastrophe.

Council Member McElwee made a motion to approve adjusting barge mooring fees from \$30.00 to \$300.00 per day per barge and to require barge companies to carry a sufficient amount of insurance to cover catastrophes beginning March 1, 2012. Council Member Abrego seconded the motion and the motion carried with Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt and Council Member Mills voting no and Mayor Knight breaking the tie.

6. **CONSIDER AND ACT ON LONG TERM LEASE WITH MR. KENNETH THOMPSON, I.C.W. RV PARK.**

Council Member Mills made a motion to authorize City Manager Winters to discuss a long term lease proposal with Mr. Kenneth Thompson, I.C.W. RV Park. Council Member Abrego seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

7. **REVIEW AND DISCUSS THE ARANSAS PASS CIVIC CENTER RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE ARANSAS PASS CIVIC CENTER.**

City Manager Winters stated the Civic Center Rules and Regulations that he was presenting are from the City of Victoria. He stated the rates that are located on the back of the Civic Center Rules and Regulations are the same rates the Civic Center had been using minus the 25% discount for non-profit organizations. He stated he needed guidance from the City Council on how to handle outside food and alcohol being brought in by customers.

City Manager Winters stated he had begun a list of food and alcohol caterers. He stated the food caterers have submitted their health department cards and a current copy of their insurance. He stated he had only received one alcohol caterer and they have submitted their current insurance and a copy of their TABC license. City Manager Winters stated that if customers were going to use a catering company not on the civic center list, he would like for the caterer to submit their current insurance and health cards or current insurance and TABC license 30 days before the scheduled event.

City Manager Winters stated he would finish the Civic Center Rules and Regulations and would bring them back before City Council for their approval.

8. **CONSIDER AND ACT ON RE-SCHEDULING THE CONN BROWN HARBOR WORKSHOP.**

Council Member McElwee made a motion to approve Monday, February 27, 2012 as the Conn Brown Harbor workshop at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Council Member Mills seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

9. **CONSIDER AND ACT ON THE REVISED RENTAL OF EQUIPMENT AND SALE OF SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ELECTION SYSTEMS AND SOFTWARE (ES&S) FOR THE MAY 12, 2012 ELECTION.**

Council Member Mills made a motion to approve the revised Rental of Equipment and Sale of Services Agreement with Election Systems and Software (ES&S) for the May 12, 2012 Election. Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

10. **CONSIDER AND ACT ON INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ARANSAS PASS, ARANSAS PASS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND SAN PATRICIO MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT FOR SHARING EQUALLY IN THE COST OF RENTAL EQUIPMENT, FIRMWARE, SOFTWARE AND SUPPORT SERVICES FROM ELECTION SYSTEMS AND SOFTWARE COMPANY (ES&S).**

Council Member Mills made a motion to approve an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City of Aransas Pass, Aransas Pass Independent School District and San Patricio Municipal Water District for sharing equally in the cost of rental equipment, firmware, software and support services from Election Systems and Software Company (ES&S). Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

11. **CITIZENS COMMENTS.**

Ms. Carol Salinas voiced her concerns on allowing dome homes within the city limits of Aransas Pass.

Council Member Mills updated the City Council on the passing of City Inspector Frank Truitt's daughter Sarah Truitt Chase.

12. **ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING.**

Council Member McElwee made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Mills seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Knight adjourned the meeting at 7:43 P.M.

Tommy Knight, Mayor

ATTEST:

Yvonne Stonebraker, City Secretary